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| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2004/000864 | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 29 JANUARY 2004 | U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/552414 |
| TITLE OF INVENTION METHOD OF CONTINUOUS STEEL CASTING | | |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Yuji MIKI; Shuji TAKEUCHI; Akira YAMAUCHI. | | |
| Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: | | |
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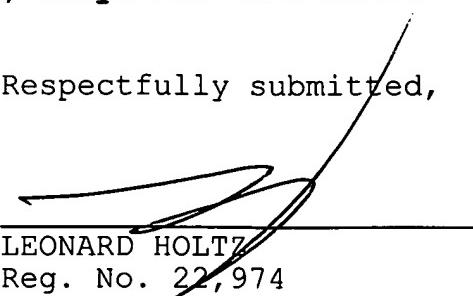
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